warming and climate change. The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 is an umbrella legislation and it contains sufficiently stringent measures to regulate environmental protection and also empowers the Government to further formulate statutory rules for fulfilling various requirements. Further, Environmental Impact Assessment has been made statutory for various development activities and the Coastal Regulations Zone Notification (1991) provides guidelines for protection and management of coastal zones.

रेल इंजनों से टकरा कर मारे गए वन्य पशु

1834. **श्री राज बब्बर**: क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) रेल इंजनों से टकरा कर दुधवा नेशनल पार्क में कितने वन्य पशुओं की मृत्यु हुई है; और

(ख) क्या दुधवा नेशनल पार्क से रेल पटरियों को हटाने संबंधी कोई प्रस्ताव है?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बाबूलाल मरांडी): (क) उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने मिली सूचना के अनुसार रेल इंजनों से टकरा कर दुधवा नेशनल पार्क में वर्ष 1996-97 के दौरान कुल पांच वन्य पशुओं (एक बाघिन, एक मगरमच्छ। दो फिशिंग कैट्स और एक हाथी) की मृत्यु हुई है।

(ख) दुधवा में रेलवे लाइन के दो उप-भाद नामत: दुधवा गौरीपेंटा और दुधवा चंद चौकी को वर्ष 1993-94 में बन्द करने का मामला रेलवे प्राधिकरियों के साथ उठाया है।

Formation of Statutory Pollution Control Boards

1835. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from any State Government for a Central legislation for the formation of statutory pollution control boards both at the 'Central and the State levels;

(b) if so, the response of Government thereto;

(c) if not, whether the Government of India on its own will move in that direction; and

(d) if so, the tentative details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABULAL MARANDI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government have not received any specific proposal from any State Government for a Central legislation for the formation of statutory pollution control boards both at the Central and State levels. The existing Central Pollution Control Board at the central level, State Pollution Control Boards at State levels and Pollution Control Committee in Union Territories have been constituted under the provisions of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 which is a Central legislation and hence there is no need for any fresh move in this regard.

(d) Does not arise.

Master Plan for Pollution Control

1836. SHRI DEBABRATA BISWAS: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that immediately on assuming office, he had directed the senior officials of his Ministry to formulate a time-bound result-oriented master plan for the control of envionmental pollution which has recently assumed serious proportions; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the same been discussed with various State Government, major industries and other concerned agencies including prominent Non-Governmental Organisations?